

# FACING THE FACTS: THE FUTURE OF IRELAND



**128,000**

number of 80-year-olds in 2011



**484,000**

number of 80-year-olds in 2046



**300,000**

increase in labour force by 2046

Source: CSO population and labour force projections, 2016-2046



**6.7m**  
projected population by 2046

**860,700**

number of over 65-year-olds by 2026



**1.4m**

number of over 65-year-olds by 2046



**57.4 years**

male life expectancy in 1926



**85.1 years**

male life expectancy in 2046



**57.9 years**

female life expectancy in 1926



**88.5 years**

female life expectancy in 2046

**100,300**



increase in the number of children at primary school age by 2021